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For Arab League Summit in Baghdad *read* Arab League Summit in Beirut

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The President (*spoke in French*): I should now like to make a statement in my capacity as representative of Cameroon.

I would like first of all to thank the Secretary-General, Mr. Kofi Annan, for his message, read by the Deputy Secretary-General, Ms. Louise Fréchette, at the beginning of this public meeting. There is no doubt that his approach and his proposals have had a particularly positive influence on our discussions.

Once again, the Council is meeting to talk about international peace and security, to talk about Iraq and to talk to Iraq. We are doing so today not as we have done in the past. In fact, representatives of the peoples of the United Nations are here in the Council to urge Iraq to reclaim its rightful place in the comity of nations.

A cradle of civilization since the time of Sumer and of Babylon, and heir to the Ottoman Empire, Iraq is a country of water and, therefore, of life.

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For affront to Israel *read* affront to democracy

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